# M I N U T E S City Council Monday, June 18, 2012 – 7:00 p.m.

Call to Order: Mayor Holder welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

**Opening:** Mayor Pro-tem George offered the opening prayer and Mayor Holder invited everyone to join in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

#### **Roll Call:**

**Members Present:** Mayor Holder presided. Council Members: Don Bethune, Bruce Campbell, Rosetta Cody, Scott George, Bessie Kicklighter and Judy Shuman

**Staff Present:** Brian Johnson, City Manager; Ron Feldner, Deputy City Manager; Rhonda Ferrell-Bowles, Clerk of Council; James P. Gerard, City Attorney; Pam Franklin, HR Director; Ben Brengman, IT Director; Cory Salley, Finance Director; Scott Allison, PED Director; Charles Draeger, Water Operations Director; Jimmy Crosby, Fire Chief; David Lyons, Chief of Police and Bennie Googe, Public Works Director and Cliff Ducey, Recreation Director. **Absent:** David Lyons, Chief of Police

Mayor Holder recognized Representative Bob Bryant and Representative Ron Stephens.

Representative Bryant said I appreciate what you all do. He said you all have a hard decision to make and I hope that you make the right decision.

Representative Stephens introduced Mr. Bill Hitchens candidate for State Representative Ann Purcell's seat in the upcoming election. He said that Ann is retiring and I would appreciate your support in the upcoming election.

Mayor Holder recognized Mr. Jay Melvin who is running for School Board Representative.

Mr. Mevin presented his qualifications to City Council and asked for their support in the upcoming election.

**Boards/Committee Reports:** PED Director presented to City Council the BOA/Planning Commission minutes dated 6/12/12.

## **Informal Public Comment:**

Mr. Ronnie Drake, Hickory Drive expressed a concern on whether or not an adult care home is allowed to locate in the old Daycare facility. He also expressed a concern about dry trash and trash mixing together when Waste Management collects it.

City Manager said laws have changed relating to the mixing of dry trash with trash. He said they use it to generate power now. He said there is a drop off center located at Sharon Park for people to dispose of their dry trash.

Mr. Lenard Hodges, Old Louisville Road thanked the Beautification Committee and volunteers for their efforts during the Clean Sweep initiative. He also thanked Public Works for filling in a big hole on Old Louisville Road near his property.

Chairperson Jean Motes of the Beautification Committee thanked everyone for their efforts on Saturday during the Clean Sweep. She said we will hold another Clean Sweep in a different area in the future.

There being no further comments or questions, Mayor Holder closed the informal public comment portion of the meeting.

**Formal Public Comment:** Mayor Holder said we received a formal request from Ms. Meg Daly Heap, Candidate for District Attorney of Chatham County to address City Council.

Ms. Heap presented her qualifications to City Council and asked for their support in the upcoming election.

## **Public Hearing:**

**PC1214, Centerpoint Properties Major Subdivision Request:** Mayor Holder opened the public hearing to receive public comment on a request by Stuart Spencer, Thomas & Hutton Engineering representing Centerpoint Properties, LLC for a major subdivision of their property located on Dean Forest Road (PIN No. 6-0883-01-008).

Mr. Spencer said I represent Centerpoint and they are requesting a major subdivision of their property located on Dean Forest Road.

Mayor Holder asked if there was anyone who wished to speak against the request. There being no further questions or comments, Mayor Holder closed the public hearing on PC1214.

**City Council Minutes:** Upon motion by Councilmember Bethune, seconded by Councilmember George, City Council voted unanimously to approve the minutes dated 6/4/12.

#### **Staff Reports:**

Finance Director presented the Finance Department's Monthly Status Report.

Water Operations Director presented the Water Operations Department's Monthly Status Report.

Fire Chief presented the Fire Department's Monthly Status Report.

Captain Clifton presented the Police Department's Monthly Status Report.

Mayor Holder said we have no items on tonight's agenda for consideration.

Mayor Holder said I would like to clear up a rumor going around that I had a heart attack. He said that I did not have a heart attack.

**Adjournment:** Upon motion by Councilmember George, seconded by Councilmember Campbell, City Council voted unanimously to adjourn at 7:55 p.m.

Transcribed by Rhonda Ferrell-Bowles, Clerk of Council Adopt by City Council: 7/2/12